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--8. Method of combating bacteria, fungi and/or viruses comprising applying to skin, hair and/or nails an effective amount therefor of an alkylated and/or acylated monosaccharide and/or oligosaccharide.--

Claims 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, line 1 of each, delete "Use" and substitute -- The method --, delete "1" and substitute -- 8 --, and delete "characterized in that" and substitute -- wherein --.

Claim 7, line 5, please delete "in particular 0.01 – 20.0% by weight,".

Please insert new claim 9 as shown below:

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--9. The method according to claim 8 wherein said alkylated and/or acylated monosaccharides and/or oligosaccharides are used in cosmetic or dermatological formulations in a content of 0.01 – 20.0% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge the required Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

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